



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: SEAN R. WAKAYAMA
Serial No: 08/917,480
Filed: August 26, 1997
Title: **RECONFIGURATION CONTROL
SYSTEM FOR AN AIRCRAFT WING**

Atty. Docket # R-8767
Group Art Unit: 3641
Examiner: T. Dinh

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AMENDMENT A

Hon. Assistant Commissioner
of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 3, 1998, please amend the
above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please AMEND the existing claims as follows:

1.(Amended) An aircraft, including:

a wing having a trailing edge and deflectable control surfaces located
along the trailing edge, the wing being capable during flight of generating a normal lifting
force having a spanwise force distribution across the wing; and

a control surface reconfiguration system [which reconfigures] wherein the
control surfaces are selectively reconfigurable to a plurality of predetermined positions as
required to optimize the spanwise force distribution across the wing for each of a plurality
of different flight conditions. ^{reconfiguring to a plurality of predetermined positions} _{wherein}